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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: Garvey et al

Application No: 09/512,829

Group Art Unit: 1624

Filed: February 25, 2000

Examiner: D. Rao

For:

Nitrosated and Nitrosylated Proton Pump Inhibitor

Compounds, Compositions and Methods of Use

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

TECH CENTER 1600/2000 PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants respectfully request that the period for responding to the Office Action dated December 17, 2002, be extended for one month to April 17, 2003.

The Commissioner is authorized to deduct the one month extension of time fee of \$55.00 from Deposit Account No. 08-0219. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any other necessary fees to maintain the pendency of the present application or to credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

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